

Fifth Sunday of Lent Morning Prayer

Opening Hymn – Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways;
re clothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard
beside the Syrian sea
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word
rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee,
O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee
the silence of eternity,
interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still, small voice of calm!

The Salutation

The Presider – The Lord be with you.

People – And also with you.

The Presider – Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the

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swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

The Presider says to the people

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Presider and People together,

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

The Presider alone says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Invitatory and Psalter

The Presider – Lord, open our lips.

People – And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The Presider and People – Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. *Amen.*

Antiphon

The Presider and People – The Lord is full compassion and mercy: Come lest us adore him.

Venite – (Psalm 95: 1-7)

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

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For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Reading – Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Hymn – Now the Green Blade Rises

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain
Wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain
Love lives again that with the dead has been

Love is come again
Like wheat that springeth green

When our hearts are wintry grieving or in pain
Thy touch can call us back to life again
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been

Love is come again
Like wheat that springeth green

The Gospel – John 12: 20-33 (Rev. Dr. Dick Warner)

The Sermon – Rev. Dr. Dick Warner

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven

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and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People (Form V)

Lay prayer leader – In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, Kyrie eleison.

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

People – Kyrie eleison.

Lay prayer leader – For *Michael* our Presiding Bishop, for *Robert* our own Bishop, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

People – Kyrie eleison.

Lay prayer leader – For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

People – Kyrie eleison.

Lay prayer leader – For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

People – Kyrie eleison.

Lay prayer leader – For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

People – Kyrie eleison.

Lay prayer leader – For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lay prayer leader – For those in positions of public trust that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

People – Kyrie eleison.

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Lay prayer leader – For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

People – Kyrie eleison.

Lay prayer leader – For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

People – Kyrie eleison.

The Blessing & Dismissal - [presider's choice]

Closing/Recessional Hymn - Led By the Spirit

Led by the Spirit of our God,
we go to fast and pray
With Christ into the wilderness;
we join His paschal way.
""Rend not your garments, rend your hearts.
Turn back your lives to me.""
Thus says our kind and gracious God,
whose reign is liberty.

Led by the Spirit,
we confront temptation face to face,
And know full well we must
rely on God's redeeming grace.
On bread alone we cannot live,
but nourished by the Word.
We seek the will of God to do:
this is our drink and food.

Led by the Spirit,
now draw near the waters of rebirth
With hearts that long to worship God
in spirit and in truth.
""Whoever drinks the drink
I give shall never thirst again.""
Thus says the Lord who died for us,
our Savior, kin and friend.

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Led by the Spirit,
now sing praise to God the Trinity:
The Source of Life,
the living Word made flesh to set us free,
The Spirit blowing where it will
to make us friends of God:
This mystery far beyond our reach,
yet near in healing love.